

Exhibit No. 29Date 3-21-11Amendments to House Bill No. 2 Bill No. HB2
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Requested by Senator John Brenden

For the Senate Finance and Claims Committee

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1. Page C-10, line 13.

Following: line 12

Insert: "If Senate Bill No. 410 is passed and approved, the department is appropriated up to \$60,885,000 for the 2013 biennium from the public land trust acquisition account for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of Senate Bill No. 410."

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Explanation - In the event Senate Bill No. 410 is passed and approved, this appropriation gives the department of natural resources and conservation an appropriation to evaluate potential purchases and purchase interests in real property from any funds that may be recovered by the state as a result of the claim that PPL Montana, LLC, owes compensation to the state for using state-owned riverbeds from 2000 through 2007. As it stands, PPL Montana, LLC appealed the Montana Supreme Court's decision that the state is entitled to \$40,956,180, plus postjudgment interest to the United State Supreme Court.